

GEN. FLAGLER ON THE STAND.

Tells of Our Coast Defences at the
Beginning of the War.

WE SHOULD HAVE MORE GUNS.

Some of His Recommendations Were
Turned Down—Major Harvard Also
Talks But Nothing New Learned
From His Testimony.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Major V. Harvard, chief surgeon of the Department of Santiago, went with the first expeditionary force under General Shafter as chief surgeon of the cavalry division, testified before the War Investigating Commission today. His testimony, while extensive, developed nothing new.

NEED MORE GUNS.
General Flagler, chief of the Bureau of Ordnance, testified concerning the condition of the coast defenses at the time war was declared, and advocated keeping a greater supply of guns and ammunition on hand. This testimony was followed by the assigned series of interrogatories and answers.

TOO SWEEPING.
"Were you interfered with in any way by any superior officer in making your reports for supplies from the ordnance department?"
"I have no complaints to make, I could not say so, because it would be too sweeping a reply."

"Were any contracts made of which you did not approve?"
"Yes, in some cases; one for 45,000 Winchester rifles."

"Add how many guns?"
"In one case for some rapid-fire guns. I have no complaint to make, I could not say so, because it would be too sweeping a reply."

"Were they satisfactory?"
"Well, one type, wire-wound gun, was not satisfactory."
"Were any of your recommendations as to purchases of arms overruled or turned down?"

AGUINALDO MAY MAKE TROUBLE.

Force Will Be Used If He Opposes the
Intentions of This Government.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—In response to instructions from the President, Rear Admiral Dewey has reported by telegraph his views on the situation in the Philippines, with particular reference to the attitude of Aguinaldo. The dispatch from Admiral Dewey was received at the Navy Department yesterday, and sent to the White House, where it had been treated with the utmost care. Dismissals have also been received from Major-General Otis, telling what he thinks of the conditions in the islands. The dispatches were sent to the President in the task of furnishing a stable government to the Philippines without making changes that would cause dissatisfaction to the inhabitants.

In the information furnished to the President, it is admitted that there is possibility of trouble with Aguinaldo over the United States assumes authority over the entire Philippine archipelago. The dispatches are optimistic, however, and profess to believe that Aguinaldo will give way to the wishes of this Government when the final test comes, as he has done in the past. It will be a severe blow to his vanity to surrender the rights he assumed as president of the republic, and the officials here recognize that he will require careful handling to prevent trouble. If General Otis is to be acting under instructions from the War Department to use his good offices with Aguinaldo to secure the release of all the Spanish prisoners in the custody of the Philippines, so far he has not succeeded in securing Aguinaldo's assent to the proposition. If General Otis' efforts prove unavailing up to the time American sovereignty over the archipelago is proclaimed, the prisoners will be taken from Aguinaldo without further parley. The administration appears to be fully determined to pursue that course.

It is understood that a determination has been reached by the President not to send a commission to the Philippines to report the condition and to submit a plan of a form of government, as was done in the case of Hawaii, but to place the islands under combined military and civil authority, such as exists today in Porto Rico. The status will be preserved until Congress determines what shall be done in the way of establishing a permanent government. General Otis has won the commendation of the President and the Cabinet, and he will probably be made the military Governor of the Philippines, with broad discretionary powers. A cabinet officer said today that with Dewey and Otis at Manila the Government had no uneasiness as to the result of the transfer of authority in the islands.—New York Sun.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

ABSOLUTELY PURE
Makes the food more delicious and wholesome

MEDICAL STUDENTS' CONCERT.

Glee Club of the University College of
Medicine Give an Entertainment.

The Glee Club of the University College of Medicine gave its initial entertainment in the large amphitheatre auditorium of that institution last evening. A select vocal quartette and an instrumental quintette rendered a very attractive programme.

The amphitheatre was filled with the friends of the students and the encores were of the heartiest character. The quartette under the leadership of Mr. Anderson rendered several numbers in beautiful and artistic style. The Harmonica duo—banjo and guitar, by Henshead and Nelson, was received with high favor and they responded to the encores with an artistic rendition on those instruments.

Mr. Anderson's pastoral fantasia will long be remembered as a sweet and beautiful violin presentation. The vocal quartette, Messrs. Wallace, Henshead, Crossman and Fleming were called upon for an encore for each number on the programme. Mr. Crossman's comic songs made a fine hit.

The attendance was most gratifying and the high character of this entertainment must increase the University College Glee Club an excellent standing in musical circles. The proceeds go to aid the gymnasium to be established for the students of the college.

DEEP RUN HOUNDS.

The Bracing Weather Brought Out a
Large Flock of Hunters.

The members of the Deep Run Hunt Club, after an interval of two weeks, caused by the bad weather and the late season, met yesterday afternoon.

The hounds met at the residence of the master, Dr. R. L. Tilton, in Barton Heights. The bracing weather brought out a large field of riders, including, besides the master of hounds, Miss Henshead, Mr. Allen, Mr. Tilton, Mr. Tensler, Dr. Joseph A. White, Messrs. A. H. Christian, Jr., F. Deane, Mearns, T. N. Wortham, R. H. Gaines, L. C. Younger, E. H. Savane, F. W. Christian, Spencer L. Carter, John W. Gordon, H. C. Beattie, Gary R. Ruffin, of Charlottesville, Va.; P. M. Parker, Jr., and J. D. Matthews.

The dog was led from Barton Heights to Chestnut Hill, thence through Strawberry Hill, Blanton's, Grant's, by the Brook Store to the club-house. During the hunt the horse ridden by Mrs. Potts became mixed, the rider, however, sustained no injury, but was placed in an awkward predicament until herself and horse were extricated from their perilous position. Mrs. Potts finished the hunt with the rest of the field. Among those at the club-house were Mr. and Mrs. Albert, of Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Cameron, Miss Cameron, Miss Elsie Cameron, Mr. F. W. Christian, Messrs. J. M. Morgan, N. C. Colwell, John W. Gordon, Miss Gordon, Miss Elsie Boshier, Miss Margaret Branch, Miss Crackerbush, of New York; Miss Clara Byrd, Miss Lassiter, of Petersburg; Messrs. Stewart, Bryan, H. E. Buckner, John Cary, C. W. Branch and others.

Wednesday next the hounds meet at the Fair Grounds at 3:30 o'clock, and on Saturday at Leonard Heights at 3 o'clock.

North State Baptists.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 10.—A special to the Observer from Greenville, N. C., says: Plans were laid at today's session of the North Carolina Baptist Convention for greatly enlarging its work, and the allowance for State missions was increased from \$10,000 to \$20,000.

The next convention will meet in the First Baptist church, of Asheville, on Wednesday before the Second Sunday in December, 1899.

Interesting addresses were made on Home Missions by Dr. E. W. Sykes, of Wake Forest College, and Dr. W. S. Penick, of Elizabeth City.

DEATHS.

GUIGON.—Entered into rest, Friday afternoon, December 10, 1898, KATE EMPIE, wife of A. R. Guigon.

Funeral from the Church of the Holy Trinity at 3 P. M. TO-DAY (Sunday).

HARRY.—Died, Friday, December 10th, at 2:15 A. M., residence, of his mother, 219 South Pine street, after a short illness. FRANK A. HARRY, in his twenty-fourth year of life.

"Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord."

Funeral from Clay Street M. E. church SUNDAY AFTERNOON at 3:30 o'clock.

FRIENDS of the family invited to attend. HENRY.—Died, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. M. L. Beach, No. 100 East Leigh street, at 8:30 P. M., December 10, 1898, Mrs. LUCY ANN BOYD HENRY, widow of James Hugh Henry, in the seventy-fourth year of her age. Funeral will take place from the First Baptist church, MONTAGUE, the 12th instant, at 3 P. M. Friends invited to attend.

POSTAL SERVICE OF PORTO RICO.

Mails and Telegraph Lines Operated
by the Same Officials.

SMITH'S COMMISSION REPORTS.

They Make Many Recommendations
for Reforms in the Service—New
Postoffices Proposed with Native
Officials in Charge.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The commission appointed to investigate the postal service in Porto Rico has made its report to Postmaster-General Emory Smith. The mail and telegraph services are operated under the same officials, the two services having been consolidated in 1886 to reduce expenses. Vacancies and the higher salaries places were filled by promotions based on experience and efficiency.

In all there were ninety-one postoffices in operation under the Spanish government prior to the occupation of the island by the American forces.

SALARIES.
The salaries of postmasters ranged from \$5 to \$150 per annum, which later amount was paid to the postmaster at San Juan, Ponce and Mayaguez. In larger offices clerks were employed at from \$10 to \$150 annually. The report gives a detailed statement showing total receipts of \$16,500. Total expenditures were, salaries of postmasters, who perform both telegraphic and postal duties, \$48,200; of clerks, \$20,000, and rent, \$5,500.

COMBINED REVENUES.
The total revenues of both telegraphic and postal services for last year were \$1,000,000. The commission recommends the appointment of a chief postal supervisor, with a suitable number of assistants, inspectors and clerks. The supervisor is to have \$2,500 per annum and allowance, his functions to correspond to an assistant postmaster-general here.

NATIVE OFFICIALS.
The commission recommends the establishment of postoffices at points located near the coast, and the appointment of native officials to act as postmasters, with native clerks.

A MYSTERIOUS ASSAULT.
A Stranger Found Last Night in Fulton Who Had Been Badly Beaten.

A white man who said his name was E. J. Kelley, from Philadelphia, was found at 10 o'clock last night by Sergeant Kersa, of the First Police Station, wandering about in a dazed condition on Louisiana street in Fulton.

The man claimed to have been assaulted by some persons whose names he could not give.

He was badly bruised about the body, and also had several cuts on his head.

The ambulance was called by Officer Parkinson, and responded with Dr. Brown in charge, who treated the patient and carried him to the barge to which he belonged, which was lying at the Chemical Company's wharf. Dr. Brown did not think that his injuries were serious.

The object of the assault is a mystery, as he had considerable money on his person, which had not been disturbed.

Deaths in Cuba.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Reports received at the War Department show the following deaths among troops:

At Santiago de Cuba—David Ruhl, Company C, Fifth United States Infantry, heart disease.

At Casilda, Cuba, Fourth Tennessee Infantry—Private John Leoney, Company E, meningitis; Private John O. Pursley, Company L, pneumonia, and Private John Goldrick, Company E, meningitis.

A Michigan Tragedy.
FREESVILLE, Mich., Dec. 10.—William Hitchens, a brother-in-law of John Hunt, a farmer who lived about two miles west of this place, killed Mr. Hunt, Mrs. Hunt and their hired man, Thomas Hayward, yesterday afternoon and then cut his own throat. Hunt, and Hitchens were in the woods cutting wood when the latter hit Hunt with his axe, killing him instantly.

Hitchens then went to the house and killed Mrs. Hunt by stabbing her in the back.

There Are Books
for those who read and for those who enjoy artistic workmanship. These make friends without effort. Our stock of Juvenile Picture Books comprises the best that can be produced. Special attention has been given to the selection of works by the best authors, suited to the minds of boys and girls from 12 to 15 years of age.

Our Toy Department
can supply any reasonable want. All kinds of Games, Mechanical Toys, Dolls, Doll-Carriages, Go-Carts, Balls, Tool Chests, Iron and Wooden Novelties, Stoves, etc., etc.

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Ladies' Silver Buckle Elastic, Men's Silver Mounted Umbrellas, Ladies' Umbrellas, Men's Silver Buckle Suspenders, Ladies' and Men's Ties, Initial Handkerchiefs, Embroidered Handkerchiefs.

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Furs! Furs!
A complete new line of Furs from two of the most reliable manufacturers in this country at lowest prices.

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neck with a jack-knife. After killing Mrs. Hunt, Hitchens went upstairs and cut his throat from ear to ear and must have died at once, from the way blood is splashed about the room.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Interesting Facts About Richmond's
Citizens and Other Matters.

Judge Wirt is still confined to his home by an attack of sciatica.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Aubrey Young are the guests of Mrs. J. H. Anderson, No. 404 east Franklin street.

Former Postmaster William H. Collierworth was not quite so well yesterday as the day before.

Miss Lillian Buck, of New York, is stopping with her sister, Mrs. H. H. Saunders, on north Seventh street.

The Episcopal School Board held their regular monthly meeting at the Henrico County Courthouse yesterday and paid off the teachers and transacted routine business.

Capt. W. A. Hanks, colored, of the Sixth Virginia Regiment, who has been in the city on a furlough, left for Macon, Ga., yesterday to rejoin his command. He has been very ill with fever.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Belmont, of Richmond, called from New York via the Pullman train for Santa Fe de Cuba. Mr. Belmont is attached to the United States navy.

There will be a meeting of the Holy Name Society of the Cathedral at 7:30 o'clock this evening, followed by services at 8 o'clock.

Mr. N. J. Smith, the stamp deputy in the Internal Revenue Department, is confined to his residence by indisposition. He has been unwell for several days but his condition is improving.

Miss M. Lizzie Wren, of Richmond, and her aunt, Miss Carrie Wren, of Portsmouth, have gone to the latter place to spend the Xmas, and will return to Richmond the first or middle of January next.

The Kentucky Soldiers.
A train passing through the city over the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad at an early hour this morning with the First Kentucky Regiment en route for Louisville.

There were three sections of the train, the last passing through at 3 o'clock.

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HOLIDAY WARES

Present Themselves
This Season in . . .

ATTRACTIVE FORM

No efforts have been spared by us to make this a record-breaking season. A cordial welcome awaits all those who are interested in things that are worthy of investigation—not because they are new, but because they have a merit of taste that marks the progress of refinement.

Sterling Silverware.
well deserves its place in the front rank of favorites, because of a combination of beauty, usefulness and intrinsic worth.

Comb and Brush Sets, Mirrors, Manicure Articles, Bonnet Specialties, Knives, Forks, Spoons, Stretched, Match Safes, Hair Brushes, Pocket Pipes; these are only a very few of the efforts in this line.

Celluloid Novelties.
are giving the other leaders no quarter in the struggle for first place. Their claim for admiration rests upon the ability to supply actual wants, and at the same time beauty of decoration is not lost sight of.

Photograph Cases, Handkerchiefs and Glove Cases, Collar Stays, Box Combs and Brush Sets, Manicure and Perfume Sets are some of the best patterns in this stock.

Opal Trays and Boxes
Come in for a large share of admiration. The Opal Tray, with its decorative Salve Boxes at 10c.

Cut-Glass and Bohemian Glass
have never been so popular as now. American manufacturers of cut glass are surpassing all others in the competition of values.

Lamps and Imported Spun Glass
are slightly in disfavor with some, while others still cling to the old friends—to those whose inclination reaches in this direction we will say there are bargains in store, as we have marked down prices throughout these lines, and have also included in this reduction of prices our entire line of choice Imported Decorated Vases of Teplitz Ware, Dresden China, Royal Hanover and Hungarian Bisque.

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ALLEN'S FRIENDS OVER-CONFIDENT

The Nebraskan Beaten Because They
Stayed Away From the Polls.

A PARALLEL CASE IN VIRGINIA.

The Griffin-Hopkins Contest—Prepar-
ing for the Total Eclipse—Powers
of Military Courts—The Finan-
cial Side of the Late War.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Special.—A Populist member of the House told a day or two ago that some of the Allen's friends in analyzing the vote cast in Nebraska at the recent election made the discovery that had Allen's supporters cast sixteen more votes in each of six of the legislative districts he would not doubt have been returned to the Senate.

The Populist Nebraska, however, is not alone in occupying a position from which he can view the distressing results of one's friends staying away from the polls. Then too it may be that his consolation with the reflection that the enemy grew over confident and by remaining at home election day came near leaving a hole in the roof of Nebraska through which the animated balloon might have escaped and come this way again.

The mention of men being left at home through overconfidence of their party recalls the case of the Hon. Samuel Griffin, of Bedford City, Va., Major Griffin is a successful lawyer, a staunch Democrat of the old school and a broad-minded, intelligent man whom the people of any district might feel honored to call their representative. His services to the party had been of great value in the past.

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SIMPLE AT FIRST.

It is Foolish to Neglect any Form of
Piles—Cure them at the Beginning

Piles are simple in the beginning and easily cured. They can be cured even in the worst stages, without pain or loss of blood, quickly, surely and completely. There is only one remedy that will do it—Pyramid Pile Cure.

It is allays the inflammation immediately, heals the irritated surface and with continued treatment reduces the swelling and puts the membranes into good, sound, healthy condition. The cure is thorough and permanent.

Here are some voluntary and unsolicited testimonials we have lately received:

Mrs. M. C. Hinkley, 601 Mississippi St., Indianapolis, Ind., says: Have been a sufferer from the pain and annoyance of piles for fifteen years, the Pyramid Pile Cure and Pyramid Pills gave me immediate relief and in a short time a complete cure.

Major Dean, of Columbus, Ohio, says: I wish to add to the number of certificates as to the benefits derived from the Pyramid Pile Cure. I suffered from piles for forty years and from itching piles for twenty years and two boxes of the Pyramid Pile Cure have effectively cured me.

Most druggists sell Pyramid Pile Cure, or will get it for you if you ask them to. It is sent, for full sized package and is put up only by the Pyramid Drug Co.,